

Attached are draft documents, updated on February 25, that represent tools for the submission of Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) bids beginning with contract year 2006. The same tools will be used to support the drug portion of Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plans (MA-PD) bids. Completed bid forms will reflect the relevant actuarial information in support of the benefits offered and premiums and cost sharing charged to plan enrollees. These documents are Word and Excel files of the information included in the CMS Paperwork Reduction Act Submission for public comment located at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/regulations/pra>

Comments on these documents are to be provided by March 17 in accordance with the attached Federal Register notice.

The final PDP bid form and instructions will be available for download on April 8 via the HPMS system.